

## The Way of Our World

Polish soldiers are using firework to frighten off hungry wolves from Russia.

A woman in Springfield, Ill., turning over suddenly in bed, fractured her leg.

The chief of police at Windsor, N. C., was killed Monday by the shot of a negro.

A barber, retiring at 46 with a \$500,000 fortune, attributes his success to silence.

Edison at 82 says he has reached one sure conclusion—mankind knows practically nothing.

A suitcase, filled with jewelry and valuable heirlooms, was found in the snow at Evanston, Ill.

A millionaire barber in New York who started out as a bootblack is retiring to enjoy his wealth.

A farm hand in Interlaken, N. Y., dug up a marble urn filled with gold coins and uncut stones.

Women employees of a basket factory in Arkansas walked out in protest of the recent wage cut.

A pack of 100 wolves broke through the mud walls of a school near Javina and killed sixteen children.

Three boys of Cambridge, Mass., ran away from home because, they said, they didn't like their school-teacher.

A 72-year-old bandit slayer was exonerated from criminal liability by a coroner's jury in Kansas City late yesterday.

Seven members of a Louisiana family were seriously injured when the father poured kerosene on live coals in a stove.

St. Louis bandits used shoe strings to bind four employees while they robbed a shoe store of \$210 there yesterday.

The official interpreter for France, who knew as many international secrets as the greatest living statesmen, died Tuesday.

Miss Peggy Phipps, New York society leader, has started a new fad at Palm Beach by appearing barefoot on the streets.

A New Jersey man with the power of auto-suggestion recently put himself to sleep before a major operation, refusing ether.

A multi-millionaire movie director and several well-known New York leaders were found on a narcotic ring's list of patrons.

A gypsy band of thirty-four men, women and children was found frozen to death in their encampment in a forest in Poland.

A scratch suffered seventeen years ago caused Thomas Middleton, 54, to have his leg amputated late yesterday as blood poisoning had set in.

According to a German scientist the earth has shrunk in circumference at the equator approximately two miles in the last half century.

A small Dutch lifeboat, manned by three men, left Lisbon, Portugal, last Friday, in an attempt to cross the Atlantic, via the Azores, to New York.

Nine tons of bread were scattered over the forest preserve near Des Plaines for relief of the birds facing starvation because of the excessive snow.

Within four days, four women—one in New York, one in St. Louis, and two in Chicago—have "fallen or leaped" from windows to their death.

An ornithologist shipped an eight-foot box containing a new bird to an American port to Brazil. When the case arrived it held forty-eight baby snakes.

A World War ace, who had fallen five times, recently obtained a divorce, because he claimed that his wife made him nervous by staying out late.

Loud speakers are now being used in Paris department stores to locate children who have become separated from their mothers in bargain counter rushes.

An elephant blew a trunkful of water over the orchestra members who were sent to the Philadelphia zoo to record the reactions of animals to music.

The 5000-mile trip of two stowaway Arabs was foiled within five feet of their goal when they fell into the Hudson from the steamer on which they were hidden.

The neighbors of a 73-year-old Indiana man went to help him celebrate his birthday. "You came just in time to see me die," he said and died in five minutes.

The worst flood in forty years is reported from New South Wales. Thousands of cattle have been destroyed and the farmers' condition throughout the state is serious.

The U. S. Shipping Board formally accepted the \$16,082,000 bid of Paul W. Chapman & Company, Inc., New York, for eleven ships of the United States and American Merchant Lines.

As William Eaton a deputy constable, was placing Albert Hulse, 23, in jail in Independence, Mo., after he had been sentenced in justice court here, the prisoner sprang upon the officer, bit him on the neck and hung on. Another officer had to come to Eaton's rescue.

—AND SOME HUMOR—  
"Strike me, then! Strike me! Go on, yer rotten coward! I defy yer!" "I wouldn't flatter yer by alterin' the shape o' yer face."—London Daily Express.

—COMMENTS ON LIFE—  
A six-day week is all right for machines, but a five-day week is enough for men.—Henry Ford.

Every year which passes without war fortifies the hope that it will never come again.—Aristide Briand.

—AND SOME VERSE—  
Winter, when the snow comes down From the red edges of the fall, To cover bubbling stream and town With velvet silence like a pall.

—Bliss Carman.

## GAIN SHOWN IN FILES OF LEGAL RECORDS HERE

## Increase of 1355 in Chattel Mortgages Since 1923

## 5325 RECORDED IN 1928

## Decrease in Real Estate Transfers Shown in Boone County

The Boone County recorder's office shows a gain in the number of legal records filed over a period of five years, according to the records of A. W. Pasley, recorder of deeds.

Chattel mortgages filed during 1923-28 inclusive, were 26,372. Chattel mortgages released during the same period were 8960. Warranty deeds filed during the period of 1923-28 numbered 4569. During the same period there were 301 trustee's deeds filed, and 358 quit-claim deeds recorded. Four thousand nine hundred and thirty deeds of trusts were filed, and 1969 deeds of trusts released during 1923-28. Marriage licenses issued in 1923-28 inclusive, numbered 1669.

In 1923 there were 3970 chattel mortgages filed and 1345 released. In the following year a slight decrease in the number was recorded, 3886 filed and 1338 released. In 1925 there were 4111 chattel mortgages recorded and 1478 satisfied. In 1927 the number filed increased to 4671, with 1542 chattel mortgages released. The record in 1928 shows the greatest gain in any one year, 5325 recorded, and 1757 satisfied, an increase of 1355 over the number of mortgages filed in 1923.

There has been a steady decrease in the number of warranty deeds filed since 1923 when 1250 were recorded. The following year, 1103 were filed, and in 1927 they numbered 1176. In 1928 the number filed was 955 less than the number filed in 1925. This decrease is attributed to the fact that there have been increasingly fewer real estate transfers in Boone County, according to Mr. Pasley.

Trustee's deeds fluctuate. In 1924 there were 67 deeds recorded. In the following year 36 were filed, and in 1927 there were 64 recorded. In 1928 the deeds numbered 84. This made a total for the four years of 301.

Quit-claim deeds recorded in 1925 totaled 52. The next year 100 were filed, and in 1927 they numbered 111. The following year, 1828, there were 98 filed.

Deeds of trusts filed in 1925 totaled 1283. The next year, 1926, there were 1283 with 1005 released. In 1928 there were 1106 deeds of trusts filed and 964 released.

Marriage licenses issued in 1923 numbered 1669. The following year there were 271 issued and in 1928 there were 267 issued and in 1926 they numbered 237. Three hundred and fourteen licenses were issued in 1927, and in 1928 they numbered 305. The number issued in 1928 shows a gain of 30 over the number issued in 1923.

39 AT BAPTISTS' MEETING TODAY

The Little Bonne Femme Association Discusses Church Work

Thirty-nine persons were present at the morning session of the meeting of the Little Bonne Femme Association of Division 5 of the Southern Baptist Convention, which was held at the Baptist Student Center at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

Representatives present from Ashland, Nashville, Centuria, McBaine, Grand View, Columbia, from the Bonne Femme Church, the Hartsburg church and Barnes Chapel and from the Concord Association. The New Salem Church at Ashland had eight delegates.

The purpose of this meeting was to stress the Sunday school and missionary features of the denomination's program, and also work for young people. Those who attended were departmental superintendents, superintendents, editors and teachers. The Rev. G. R. Timbrook of Centuria gave a devotional address on "Thus Saith the Lord," in which he cited the story of Abraham and Isaac.

A round table address followed, in which a place on the program of J. C. Hochstetler was filled by C. C. Cunningham. Oscar Pigg enlarged upon this speech and upon the other talks made during the discussion. At the conclusion of the last talk, an informal discussion was held.

STUDENTS HEAR SOUTHERN INDEPENDENCE EDITOR TALKS OF RURAL NEWSPAPER OPPORTUNITIES

The reporter on the big city newspaper is but one cog in an enormous organization, said William Southern, editor of the Independence Examiner and former president of the Missouri Press Association, in an address before students of a class in History and Principles of Journalism at Jay H. Neff Hall this morning.

"Although there are opportunities to rise to high positions on the big city newspapers, I prefer the small city or country daily."

"There is opportunity there for one to become a stock owner or a partner in the business. This, however, depends on the individual."

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## The Weather

For Columbia and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and Saturday; some snow or rain probable; no decided change in temperature; lowest tonight about 28.

For Missouri: Mostly unsettled tonight and Saturday; snow or rain probable except extreme northwest portion; no decided change in temperature.

Shippers forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperatures are expected to be about as follows: North 22, East 30, South 32, West 28.

Weather conditions: Skies are partly cloudy to cloudy quite generally but no widespread precipitation has occurred. Early this morning light local rain was falling in Arkansas and Texas and somewhat heavy rain east over Alabama and Georgia, and local snow over Kansas. Temperatures have risen slowly but steadily, and while values are moderate for the more northern latitudes they are chilly for the far South although there is no freezing. Zero cold has retreated north into Canada for the time being.

Highest temperature here yesterday was 36; lowest last night, 26.

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## 145 AT DINNER IN MEMORY OF BEN FRANKLIN

## St. Louis Editor Talks Against Mercenary Journalism

## LEGISLATORS ARE HEARD

## Independence Editor and Dean Williams Ask for Higher Ideals

One hundred and forty-five persons, including a number of members of the Missouri Senate and House of Representatives, as well as well-known Missouri journalists, honored the memory of Benjamin Franklin at the thirty annual dinner of the Journalism Students' Association, held last night at Harris' Cafe.

Rodney C. Hull, president of the Journalism Students' Association, presided.

The principal speakers were William Southern, Jr., editor of the Independence (Mo.) Examiner and president of the Missouri Press Association; and Clark McAdams, editorial writer for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The subject of Mr. Southern's address was "One Who Rolls Away Mountains." Mr. Southern explained the subject as applying not only to the life of Benjamin Franklin, but also to the life of every real journalist who "must have courage and strength, and faith to move mountains."

"We cannot judge the worth of Benjamin Franklin to journalism," Mr. Southern said, "by considering the kind of newspaper that he printed. The press he used was practically no different from that used by Gutenberg when he first used movable type."

"But the purpose of Franklin's newspaper was to inform, to persuade, and to amuse, and the purpose of the newspaper today is essentially the same."

He concluded that the journalistic ideals of Franklin are being violated today by many newspapers, and that the task of future journalists is to hold high the torch of clean journalism.

A contrast in dress between Mr. McAdams and his "Poor Richard and Rich Uncle Sam." He pointed out the difference between the journalism of today and that of Benjamin Franklin's day.

"It is an amazing contrast," Mr. McAdams said, "because there have been introduced into America, above normal, conditions to combat the below zero temperatures. The Belgrade water supply was almost frozen and homes were suffering for want of coal. The death toll in the last six days is 174."

Vessels Aground on English Coast. The Thames, Seine and Rhine were frozen in places for the first time in years and 100 vessels were icebound in the Baltic Sea today. Shipping was hindered seriously, many vessels running aground before driving snowstorms along the English coast.

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## Voice From the Sky

A large monoplane, soaring over the business district suddenly burst into speech today.

Necks craned, cars stopped, people came from buildings and the general trend of attention for the next few minutes was skyward. Announcing its presence by means of a bugle call, the big plane soared back and forth over the business district while a voice, through amplification, proclaiming the merits of a radiator preparation of the anti-freeze type came to the ground with amazing clearness of tone and enunciation. It was, so the voice said, the voice of the sky.

A woman driving west on Walnut street, collided with a car, driven by a man, who was going south on Eighth. Neither car was damaged.

PROCEEDS EXCEED \$130

P. T. A. A. to Use Money from "Picture Week" for Gift to School

The proceeds from the sale of the tickets for "Picture Week" sponsored by the Jefferson Junior High School P. T. A., will total more than \$130, according to Mrs. J. K. Fyler, principal of the school. Twelve hundred school children saw the pictures.

The proceeds will be spent for copies of masterpieces which will be presented to the school by the school P. T. A., of which Mrs. J. M. Estes is president. The selection of the copies will be made some time next week.

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## "Mr. Valentine Pays 'Hearty'"

Visit to Ten Crippled Children

School was a mere shell of pedagogy at the crippled children's clinic at University Hospital yesterday afternoon and all the star pupils were zero, for their minds and eyes were fixed on the anticipated Valentine party behind a white screen. When Miss H. Young, the nurse in charge, declared the formal opening of the party at exactly 4 o'clock by producing a frilly red Valentine box, shouts came from the eight small beds, two cribs, and two wheel chairs.

The screen was reversed and pinned to it was the host, Mr. Valentine, a shining, life-sized, white pasteboard figure with tiny red hearts for buttons, red hearts for eyes and a "hearty" grin. The Elementary School children had created him to carry their greetings.

Valentines were drawn from the box and chocolate bunnies and toys distributed from a table gay with red hearts. There was promise, too, of ice cream and cookies later, with supper.

No Statement From Baby John

A round-the-room canvass showed unanimous satisfaction. Baby John, 14 months old, delightedly chattered the head off of a shiny Valentine and could not be coaxed to give any statement other than a small smile between chews. Baby Joe Dunnivant more scientifically worked the head from his Valentine dog, the kind where you wiggle the ears, and a little tail with a heart tied to it.

Russell Layne conservatively ate only the ears of his candy rabbit. He said it tasted better to begin on the ears. Ralph Trout, from an orphanage in St. Louis, demonstrated skill in winding a mechanical top. He expressed an idea for harnessing the power generated by a top spun upside down for big business.

New Lullaby Invented

One of the newer arrivals in the ward, John DeMoss, has not yet learned the tradition of saving sweets until after supper and proudly swallowed his chocolate rabbit in two bites. Then he swallowed the largest Valentine, a bear inscribed "I'll never be gruff to you, Valentine," in a crepe paper heart and put it to sleep with this original lullaby.

"I wrap he up. The priddy grab And sleep he."

Raydell Fowler was pleased with a lovely doll in many crimp, pink, paper flounces. Naomi King boasted across the room of her new crayons. She said she liked the white one the best and displayed a radical picture of Red Riding Hood which she had colored the hood bright blue and the wolf white. A very yellow bird which the children call "just you," received a generous slice of red apple but the goldfish was entirely out of place. He paled considerably among the red hearts strung everywhere.

And the Party Still Lasts

As long as a shred of a red paper heart lingers there will be a Valentine party in the crippled children's ward on the roof. (Miss Young said the last of the Halloween cape disappeared about a month ago.) This was a glorious party. Ten happy congenial little children, proved that.